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As stated in the Non-Final Office Action mailed on 09/30/2008, "Applicant's IDS document filed on 06/15/2006 is acknowledged. However, the references were crossed out as none of the references were found in the case, so none were considered." The Examiner has attached the IDS document as considered on 09/24/2008. It is noted that Applicant submitted another IDS on 03/02/2009 and stated in their response "Copies of non-patent literature publications cited in the international search report (ISR) are enclosed herewith." That IDS which included references was considered.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nora M. Rooney whose telephone number is (571) 272-9937. The examiner can normally be reached Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. A message may be left on the examiner's voice mail service. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ram Shukla can be reached on (571) 272-0735. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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